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Dear Harold:

What a productive guy you are!

As for the N Y Times, I recall that reviewers killed John Keats, et al. The American Commercial critics especially are notorious for malice. They seem to use their assignments as opportunities to work off personal frustrations or to do a bit of backscratching. It beats me why an editor would devote so much space to a book the argument of which he considers wrong unless he also considered the book important.

It occurs to me that with your nose for skullduggery you could do a Harrowing Whodunit & thereby make a million. Or are you allergic to pelf?

Give Lil a hug & a kiss for us & tell her to bring you along to us.

There's my sentiments, too. Why don't you pay us a visit? Telephone before you come. Love Betty.